

AMENDMENT
U.S. Appln. No. 10/720,088

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 are all the claims pending in the application.

The Office Action contains a single rejection. In particular, Claims 1-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. With respect to Claim 1, the Examiner objects to the reference in Claim 1 to first and second outer layers. With respect to Claim 11, the Examiner states that there is no antecedent basis for the reference to “(8)” in Claim 11.

Applicants have amended Claim 1 by removing therefrom the recitation “outer.”

As for Claim 11, the Examiner’s objection thereto can be traced to a typographical error. From the disclosure at pages 18 and 19 of the specification, it is clear that Applicants intended for Claim 11 to recite “(g)” rather than “(8).”

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the §112 rejection is requested.

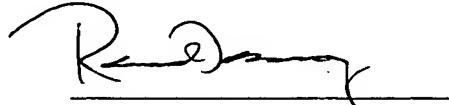
Reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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